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In telephone interviews conducted Thursday, July 7, 2005 between the undersigned Applicants' representative and Examiner Patel and Supervisory Examiner Bennett, it was agreed that finality of the Office Action issued on January 12, 2005 would be withdrawn as improper.

In telephone interviews conducted Tuesday, July 12, 2005 between the undersigned Applicants' representative and Examiner Patel and Supervisory Examiner Bennett, it was confirmed that a new Office Action has been issued withdrawing finality of the Office Action issued on January 12, 2005, and that the new Office Action had been entered into PALM and would be received by Applicants in the near future.

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Applicants appreciate the assistance of Examiner Patel and Supervisory Examiner Bennett in this matter.

Respectfully submitted for
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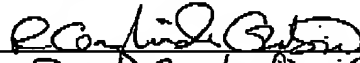
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